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Why advertise the fact that you're a masochist by openly subscribing to the SCOPE, when you can get it by joining the Palomar Amateur Radio Club and stay in the closet. Whatsomever, if nothing but a subscription will do, send your $2.50 to the address in the masthead or catch our fading-but-facile Trea$urer at club meeting or flea mart and slip the loot to him then and there. Jim will leap with alacrity to get your name, etc, into the maw of the "gint computor". That way, you too can inflict upon yourself the agony of waiting each month to see what "that idiot" has put in the SCOPE this month.

For a paltry $7½ you can join the elite members of the Palomar Amateur Radio Club; and receive (under separate cover of night) the SCOPE - once a month does it - thank heaven! Membership application blanks are available from any club officer at meetings, flea marts, field days, tar-and-featherings, and other club functions except dog fights. Or you might butter up one of the aforesaid club officers on the air in an attempt to cajole him into sending you one. If all else fails, drop a note to P.O. Box 1603 etc and demand an application. You'll get it all right, you'll get it!

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The Palomar Amateur Radio Club owns and operates WR6AII, a two meter repeater, on 146.13 mHz input and 146.73 mHz output, for the use of its members and occasional transient users. It is carrier operated; and is located on Mount Palomar (strangely enough), from which it provides excellent coverage of San Diego County to the west of the mountains as far as just south of the INS checkpoint on I-5 near the newclear power plant.

The club's 450 mHz repeater, WR6APO, operates on an input frequency of 444.300 mHz and an output of 449.425 mHz. It too is carrier operated except during brief periods when interference is experienced; and is, for the present, located on the Top of the Mark in ever-lovely Veesta (CA 92083, that is).

The Guiding Light behind all of this repeater jazz is gracious Walter Lockhart, W6SCI, our Repeater Committee Chairman, who will jump for joy as he tells you what you can do with your suggestions as to how to run the repeaters. One thing about good old Walt, you don't have to approach him with hat in hand - better you carry a chair and whip or loaded pistol!

The May meeting of the Palomar Amateur Radio Club will probably, without fail, take place in the Great Hall (Glendale Federal Savings and Loan) at the corner of Anza and East Vista Way in Downtown Vista starting at 7:30 of the evening on Wednesday the 3rd (of May, perchance). The program for the evening will be that internationally renowned world traveler Jack Forbes, W6QP, discussing his recent foray to Hong Kong and Macao. Jack will also discuss oriental rugs "If you can't beat 'em, call Vista Carpet Cleaners". Let's all turn out and give Jack our undivided attention as he explains the devaluation of the dollar and its effect on getting a "deal" in Hong Kong.

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The May Palomar Amateur Radio Club Phlea Market will be held on Saturday the sixth (of May, no doubt) from the crack of dawn until high noon in the parking lot of SWAN ELECTRONICS on Airport Road in Oceanside by the side of the ocean. Dick, WA6SCV, and Burr, WA6VYD, need your help in making the club's operation of the phlea mart a success, so if you can bear a hand at the coffee table or behind the club's tables, let Burr or Dick know. They will be astounded that you've finally volunteered to do something for the club.

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RULES FOR SELLERS
1. All sellers must have an amateur radio license; and display a QSL card.
2. All Sellers must sign in with name, call, vehicle license, and address.
3. All sellers must display and sell in the SWAN ELECTRONICS parking lot only.
4. Only one parking place per seller.
5. Nothing not related to amateur radio will be offered for sale.
6. No hi-fi gear, tape decks or similiar equipment will be offered for sale.
7. No commercial sellers permitted.

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Become well known. Pop for an O F F I C I A L PALOMAR AMATEUR RADIO CLUB badge. This will give you the recognition you deserve - no doubt. See our above described Trea$urer and let him know who you are (once you've figured it out); and that you want a badge. He'll be glad to lighten your wallet and place an order with the Cheapy Badge Co. for one of their not-so-cheap cheapy badges with your name, rank, and rifle number on it for you. Then, when the badge comes in, Jim will be glad to hand it to you as soon as he can figure out who in the blue-eyed world you are

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Now that you've decided to join or rejoin the American Radio Relay League, do it via the Palomar Amateur Radio Club; and the club will get 150¢ that would otherwise go into the coffers at Newington (CT 06111, that is). It won't cost you a fraction of a $ more and the club will profit except in the case of the life enlistment. Newington won't spring for a single red ¢ of that money so don't bother with the life enlistment. Ship over in the ARRL yearly and the club will get that $1.50 each time. Make your check payable to the Palomar Amateur Radio Club; and get it, with your QST mailing label and renewal card, to the address in the masthead, whatever it is. It'll cost you $12 for the first year, $23 for two, $33 for three, $43 for four or $53 for five. Don't bother K6$LA with your lifer problems - direct liaison with the League of Radio Relaying Americans is authorized.

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Don't forget that Burr, WA6VYD, is teaching a course in amateur radio at Mira Costa College. Burr dropped us a subtle hint to the effect that the next course will start in September, not June as he had previously intimidated. See Burr or talk to the folks at Mira Costa for details.

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ARRL BULLETINS OF INTEREST (PERHAPS):

Official Bulletin 699 of March 23 says: The FCC has released its Report and Order in Dockets 21116 and 21117. Docket 21116 bans the commercial manufacture of amplifiers capable of operation between 24 and 35 mHz. Docket 21117 requires all commercially manufactured amplifiers operating below 144 mHz to be type accepted before marketing. There are provisions in the Report and Order to allow individual amateurs to construct amplifiers in limited quantities for their own use and for manufacturers of amplifiers intended to be used by licensed amateurs to obtain waivers of the ban in order to clear inventories. The effective date of FCC action is April 28, 1978. Petitions for Reconsideration must be filed no later than April 19,1978. Members may request copies of the Report and Order from ARRL, Newington, CT 06111 for a SASE with 24 cents postage attached thereto.

Official Bulletin 703 of April 13 on the same subject says: The deadline for filing Petitions for Reconsideration in Dockets 21116 and 21117 is April 26, 1978. These FCC dockets would would prohibit the marketing of external radio frequency amplifiers capable of operation on any frequency between 24 and 35 mHz, and would bring all amplifiers capable of operation below 144 mHz under the control of the Commission's type acceptance program. The text of these documents may be found in the March 27, 1978 edition of the Federal Register, available at your local library. Petitions for Reconsideration may be sent to the Secretary, FCC, Washington, DC 20554.

Official Bulletin 700 of March 23 says: The FCC took action on March 22, 1978 to allow amateurs to operate repeater, control, and auxiliary link stations using their primary licenses. This effectively makes permanent the rule waiver presently in effect. In addition, the FCC opened up new subbands for repeater use, but reserved specific segments for other than repeater operation. In addition to the present repeater subbands the following frequencies will be available for repeater operation: 144.5 to 145.5 mHz, 220 mHz and up with the exception of 220.0 to 220.5 mHz, 431 to 433 mHz and 435 to 438 mHz. We emphasize that these new repeater frequen-

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Congratulations to Don Johnson, who is now WD6FWE after all of these years. Don has been interested in amateur radio for a goodly number of years; and has been a club member for some time. Glad you got the ticket at long last, Don. How about letting us know what class of license you have.

After watching the proceedings at the last club meeting, K6ROR says that before you raise your hand to vote at a club meeting, you had best make sure that you're a member in good standing. After all, non-members do not have a say in the operation of the club. If you want to vote, join.

Speaking of club membership, club dues are coming due for all of us on the 1st of August. It sure would help Hon. Jas. A. Church, Trea$. if some of us would get our dues in early rather than waiting for the last minute. Wouldn't want Jim to get writer's cramp because we all ganged up on him at the August meeting. The tab is $7.50; and gets you a year's membership and a year's supply of the SCOPE, which it doesn't hurt to have in case you run out of Sears & Roebuck catalogs. Catch Jim at the flea mart or club meeting; or mail your check to the P.O. Box address in the masthead. The operator of the "gint computor" is strongly lobbying for your early dues so that he too doesn't get trampled in the last minute rush to join or rejoin the club come early August.

Which reminds, us. The "gint computor" will have the floppy disc memory storage added to it as soon as Heathkit puts it on the market. Phil says next month. This will be a much-needed addition to the computor and should nearly eliminate the paper tape storage system now in use. Phil is still learning about the computor and its quirks and how to program it. Each time we visit him he's added something new to the program that does our label printing for the SCOPE. After watching the thing at work, I'm not sure whether I should buy a computor or the Globe Chief that's advertised in this month's FORESAIL items.

Congratulations to Bob Rafferty, WA6JAA, who took the General Class exam and passed it on February 24; and then took the Advanced Class exam on March 1st and passed it.

Understand that K6ROR has gone into the tamale distributing business. I'm going to have to try them with my (W6ARN's) chili. That ought to be a dandy combo!

Dick, WA6SCV, who deserted Imperial Realty (Harmonious Homes for Happy Hams) a year or so ago, is once again back at the same old stand, according to a usually unreliable source. Got your own place in the river bottom sold yet, Ricardo? If not, wait until mid-summer and catch someone from out of the area - we won't tell.

If you haven't sent Frank Cassen. N6AT, the AREC Form 7 that we sent you in the SCOPE a couple of months ago, fill it out and get it to him at flea mart or club meeting or, if your trusting, by mail to 3909 Reche Rd, Fallbrook, Ca 92028.

Guess Floyd, W6JSP, and Vanessa Harvey, WB6BHE, have forsaken Orange County; and moved down to San Marcos.

Understand that some of our readers in San Diego County received their copies of last month's SCOPE well into April. We put them in the hands of the postal inspector on March 29th; and we got ours in South Laguna on the 6th of April. That's about average, I guess, for out-of-county subscribers, but the Post Office folks have usually managed to deliver within San Diego County within 48, and often within 24, hours of the time we hand it to them. We're going to try (the printer willing) to get this in the mail by the 25th; and avoid the end-of-the-month rush.

Our thanks to the folks who provided us with information for the SCOPE, like Keith, W6KVR, Frank, N6AT, (bulletins from the ARRL); and Phil, K6ROR. Thanks also to the gang who help us fold, spindle and mutilate while eating tamales, chili, or pizza. Sure beats the old system wherein I'd get the thing from the printer and dash around to deliver copies to be hand addressed by W6DEY, W6ARN, K6ROR, K6SLA, WA6SCV, and WA6VYD. The computorized address labels and the 2nd Class Postage route sure simplify things.

"That's all", she wrote.

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